February 12, 2023 Still the Shepherd John 10:22-42

Inside each person there is a desire for proof before belief. Before we believe something, we want proof that it is true. How much proof do you need? Some people do not need much proof, if any at all. Others will keep demanding more proof, even when it is obvious. John 10:22-42 focuses on the second issue. Even with the proof Jesus provided, proof people and leaders witnessed, they refused to believe. It is no longer about proof; it is about unbelief.

Additional Verses:

Exodus 25:31-40 Hebrews 4:1-7 Ezekiel 34 Revelation 2:5, 14:12

Outline:

1. Jesus reveals the reason for unbelief.

Study Questions:

1. What does the Feast of Dedication (Hanukkah) celebrate? How does Jesus fulfill the Feast of Dedication?

2. Why is endurance in the faith so important? How does Jesus make this clear in John 10:27?

3. What does it mean that Jesus and the Father are one? How does this secure our salvation and keep it secure?

4. Why does Jesus quote Psalm 82:6? How does Jesus fulfill this Psalm 82? Where else does John use the "how much more" argument?

2. Jesus reveals the solution for unbelief.

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?